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## 13,000 Attend Pearl River Mission Meetings U. S. Churchmen Promise Help To Italian Protestants

**Dr. Dewey Moore Represents  
Southern Baptists**

By Helen Hiett  
Religious News Service Correspondent

Rome—(By Wireless)—Scattered groups of Italian Protestants in central Italy, bombed out of their churches and homes, were brought promises of help by three American churchmen—the Rev. P. J. Zaccara of the New York Mission Society, Dr. Robert W. Anthony of the Federal Council of Churches, and Dr. Dewey Moore of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Places visited by the trio in the Lazio and Umbria provinces, included Terni, birthplace of the Roman historian, Tacitus, and now Italy's "second Cassino," where 80 per cent of the homes were destroyed or damaged by American bombers. Terni once had five Protestant churches, but no longer has any Protestant minister or a meeting place.

News of the Americans' arrival in Terni spread quickly, however, and Christ's words, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I" never seemed truer than in the humble sitting room of a half-ruined house, crowded with people gathered to meet the visitors.

Local Protestants referred to the unexpected visit of the Americans as being more than that of good Samaritans. "It was the Lord Himself coming with them," they said.

Inspection of Terni's ruins revealed to the U. S. church leaders why Protestants there cannot hope to resume church life in the near future without help from sister churches. One chapel was completely razed, and others were badly damaged.

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### NORTHERN BAPTIST PLAN STUDENT LOAN PROJECT

New York—(RNS)—Nation-wide study of a student loan and scholarship project to be known as the Christian Emphasis Fund will be undertaken by the Northern Baptist Convention in its observance of Baptist Education Day on Sunday, April 15, it was announced here by Dr. Luther Wesley Smith, executive secretary of the Board of Education.

When put into operation, the fund will provide student loans for Baptist young people who would not otherwise be able to go to college, offer scholarships to Baptist youth of exceptional talent, and strengthen the Christian emphasis on Baptist campuses through special projects.

### May 6 Is Convention Centennial Sunday

J. E. Dillard

**What a Day!** May 6, the Centennial of the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention; celebrating a century of achievement for Christ.

**What an Opportunity!** to recount the goodness of God and the triumphs of His grace.

**What a Duty!** to express gratitude and love, and to rededicate self to Christ and a better world.

**What a Danger!** that we let it pass with little thought, little praise, little prayer, little faith, little effort, and little sacrifice.

**What a Victory!** if we consecrate ourselves, our service, and our substance to Christ for the coming of His kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy.

#### Objectives

1. Every church member in the church services May 6.
2. Every church service one of rejoicing and consecration, evangelism, and enlistment.
3. Everyone making a Centennial offering for postwar needs to help rebuild a broken world for which Jesus died.

**Crowning a Century for Christ.**

—BR—

### Rumanian Baptists Spurn State Aid

London—(By Wireless to RNS)—No government help or financial support will be given to Baptists in Rumania under the decree-law by which the denomination is now recognized as a religious cult, it was said here by Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, president of the Baptist World Alliance.

At the request of the Baptists, legal regulations for state grants accorded to other communions were declared inapplicable to the denomination, thus safeguarding its principle of separation of church and state, Dr. Rushbrooke said.

The decree-law, which repealed anti-Baptist legislation, permits the denomination to manage its own internal, administrative, cultural, financial, and philanthropic affairs, in accordance with its own constitution.

"It is dangerous," Dr. Rushbrooke commented, "to claim finality for any arrangements in eastern Europe, and attempts may be made to overthrow this settlement. By her present policy, however, Rumania is regaining in western lands something of the respect of which her policy of repres-

### EVERY CHURCH IN THE ASSOCIATION COOPERATED DURING THE WEEK

Thirteen thousand people attended the simultaneous missionary revival in the 27 churches of Pearl River Association April 8-13, according to reports made by the several churches.

Guest speakers for the week in these churches that had a total of 137 services were 17 missionaries representing the mission program of Southern Baptists among the rural people of Mississippi, the French of Louisiana, the Spanish of Texas, the Indians of New Mexico, the mountaineers of Kentucky, the city missions of the larger cities of the South plus foreign mission work in Brazil, Argentina, China, and Africa.

Two hundred thirty-five new subscriptions were received for the two Baptist magazines devoted exclusively to missions: "The Commission" and "Home Mission Magazine." The largest church in the association has just recently put these magazines in the church budget and two others made tentative plans during the week to include them in their budgets. This means that throughout the year an added emphasis on missions will

be made in all our churches.

The free-will offerings to care for traveling expenses of the missionaries amounted to approximately one thousand dollars for the week, or twice as much as the total cost of the effort. The surplus of this amount is being sent to the Cooperative Program in the name of Pearl River Association.

Every church in the entire association cooperated during the week with 17 conducting night services and 10 others having day services. Several of them had classes each night with local workers teaching series of books on missions.

Available records and testimonies coming from many persons indicate that this effort was the most successful ever conducted in Pearl River Association during the 88 years the association has been organized.

### Chinese W.M.U. Organized In Greenville Probably First In S.B.C. Territory

In 1934 a few interested Sunday school workers of the First Baptist Church, Greenville, Mississippi, organized a Chinese Sunday school. Through the years this work has gone on with very gratifying results. About 25 Chinese have been baptized into membership of the church.

Some impetus was gained in the coming of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Woo about five years ago. They are products of our mission work in China.

At the State Convention in 1943 much interest was manifested in work among the races. As a result the Convention Board made an appropriation that made possible the employment of a part time worker among our Chinese here.

On June 1, 1944, Reverend and Mrs. D. I. Young came. During these few months they have endeared themselves to the nearly 200 Chinese in Greenville. He preaches to them once each Sunday and ministers to their spiritual needs throughout the week. Attendance at Sunday school and church has materially increased since their coming. Mrs. Young has also

sion had deprived her. "Moreover, as I have every reason to know," he added, "the tolerant provisions of this decree-law represent the true feeling of her people, too often frustrated by the dominance of selfishly interested groups."

done a fine work, along with her husband, in visiting and forming friendships among the women who too are very responsive. She organized a Woman's Missionary Society among them which is probably the first one in the entire Southern Baptist Convention territory. Mrs. Young is quite optimistic about the future possibilities for development in all departments. There are 13 members of the W. M. S. Mrs. Woo is president and Mrs. William Sit is secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Woo also serves as interpreter to those who do not speak English very well.

The Chinese in this section are, as a rule, high class. They are good citizens and successful business men. They readily and liberally contribute to all civic and patriotic causes. Most of them are well educated and are interested in the cultural development of the community in which they are a part.

They offer a great opportunity to us with a correspondingly great responsibility, and the Youngs are meeting these in a way.

JOHN D. DAVIS.

—BR—

Rev. P. H. Young, pastor at Hamburg, recently sent a nice list of renewals. Such pastors have made the present weekly circulation of over 50,000 possible.



Every Mississippi Baptist should read "Epochs of Home Missions" by Dr. Joe W. Burton. I have read it with great interest and profit. It is a briefly, interestingly, pointedly, and factually told story of the hundred years of service our Home Mission Board has rendered to the cause of Christ. The third chapter tells a practically unknown piece of vital history that each of us should have. This book is must reading for each Baptist pastor and others who are interested in missions.—Norman W. Cox.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Dorothy Rainey, of Louisville, and Frank G. Voight, Jr., a student in the Southern Seminary. Miss Rainey is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rainey of Louisville. Mr. Voight is a son of Capt. and Mrs. Frank Voight, Sr., of Mississippi. He was graduated from Mississippi College before going to the Southern Seminary.

The Training Union of Oakvale church held a study course the last week in March. There were four classes in the Manuals with a total enrollment of 85 and an average attendance of 76. The teachers were: Mrs. Bessie Speights, Story Hour; Mrs. W. H. Wood, Juniors; Mrs. J. D. Nazary, Intermediates; and Rev. W. H. Wood, Adults.—Mrs. Lessie Bryant, church reporter.

The First Baptist Church of Vicksburg engaged in a series of revival services, April 8-15. Dr. D. A. McCall, executive secretary of Mississippi Baptists, was guest evangelist. The week proved to be most profitable. Dr. McCall's messages were uplifting, inspiring and decidedly scriptural. A good attendance was had. Altogether there were 31 additions; 25 of these by baptism. Our state is indeed fortunate to have as its leader this outstanding minister of Christ. Last Sunday proved to be an outstanding day in our church. During the day we received 22 members, and at the close of the service Sunday night I baptized 20.—D. Swan Haworth, pastor.

Batesville: Rev. A. B. Pierce, Baptist Foundation secretary, spent a week in the home of Dr. J. W. Lee and preached in the recent revival of this great church. Dr. Lee is in his 38th year as pastor of this great church. He is unusually active and vigorous to be nearing his 85th birthday. Definite plans were made and excellent preparations were carried out before the meeting began. Even though heavy rains fell during the meeting great crowds were in attendance. Dr. Lee baptized eight before the meeting started and 42 others came during the meeting. In a letter from Dr. Lee following the meeting he states that he has baptized more people this year than he ever baptized in any one year in his ministry. The great results of this meeting were simply days of harvesting from seed sown in former days and years.

Rev. Bernard Saucier recently preached in a revival at Derby church in Pearl River county. On the closing night a Training Union was organized.

Dr. John Newport, pastor of Clinton church, Clinton, Mississippi, assisted C. B. Coats, Leitchfield, Ky., in a Youth Revival, March 18-25. A number came by letter and several rededicated their lives to Christ. One surrendered to definite service.—Western Recorder.

## + INTO ALL THE WORLD +

M. THERON RANKIN, Executive Secretary

E. C. ROUTH, Editor, The Commission

### Thirty-Eight New Missionaries Appointed

The recent meeting of the Foreign Mission Board, April 10-11, was one of the most significant in the history of Southern Baptist foreign mission enterprise. Thirty-eight new missionaries were appointed: eight to Africa; one to Palestine; five to Hawaii, of whom four will eventually go to Japan; five to China; nine to Brazil; two to Mexico; three to Colombia; five to Latin American fields not yet designated.

The Board approved the recommendation that work be inaugurated in Arabia as soon as possible after the cessation of hostilities. The Baptist women of Virginia, through their secretary, Miss Blanche Sydnor White, have offered to place \$25,000 at the disposal of the Board for the purpose of inaugurating work in this vital Moslem field. Already the way is opening through the ministry of medical missionaries, who have labored for years in Arabia under the auspices of the Reformed Church in America.

Using as his theme, "Thanking God and Taking Courage," Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary, reviewed the achievements of the Foreign Mission Board, gave the high points of the present situation of the financial status, and suggested the main objectives we should keep before us as we chart our course for the postwar world. We have now 504 active missionaries under appointment, not including the thirty-eight recently appointed, who are in line for work in nineteen separate national areas of the world. We have 203 missionaries assigned to Latin American countries, 71 to Nigeria, West Africa, 12 to Europe, 201 to China, and five to Japan. Of the 504 missionaries of the Board 220 are now in active missionary service in thirteen countries. Including the new appointees we have appointed 143 new missionaries since 1941. This staff of 542 missionaries is inadequate to meet the minimum needs of our present undertaking. We should work definitely toward adding 200 missionaries to our present staff. We need not less than \$2,000,000 to build up the broken places in war-torn mission fields. "It is unthinkable," said Dr. Rankin, "that five and a half million Southern Baptists, 25,000 churches will make their plans for postwar missions with less than 600 missionaries and an average of only fifty cents a year per Baptist for world missions."

In view of the remarkable growth of evangelical missionary activities in Latin America, the Board instructed Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., to spend at least a year and a half in residence in South America. Dr. and Mrs. Gill and their three children expect to leave the United States for Latin America early this summer.

The income of the Board for the first quarter of 1945 amounted to \$1,499,195, which represents an increase of \$333,256 over the same period last year. The Lottie Moon Christmas offering has already gone beyond the \$940,000 mark, an increase of approximately \$170,000 over last year.

There are three major financial phases of our program which must be kept constantly in mind: the

strengthening of our current work with an ever-enlarging program; rebuilding in devastated areas; relief for the starving, suffering multitudes on our mission fields; and the provision for stabilizing and strengthening the financial base of the Board through a reserve fund for the financial recession which may be expected in the reconstruction days following this tragic global conflict.

THE COMMISSION reported an increase of fifty per cent in circulation in the last two years, the total circulation now being 73,000.

The following missionaries were appointed at the recent meeting of the Foreign Mission Board:

#### Mexico

Mr. and Mrs. James Dreher Crane, Seminary Hill Station, Fort Worth, Texas.

#### Colombia

Mr. and Mrs. James Ulman Moss, Floyada, Texas.  
Anna Frances Todd, Richmond, Kentucky.

#### Palestine

Rebecca Violet Long.

#### Hawaii

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Daniel Clarke, Atlanta, Georgia.  
Mr. and Mrs. Tucker Noyes Callaway, Atlanta, Georgia.  
Bertis Lee Kendrick, Spindale, North Carolina.

#### Nigeria, Africa

Edith Arlene Chaney, Vivian, Louisiana.  
Ada Lois Newman, Coleman, Texas.  
Fannie George Hurtt, Irondale, Alabama.  
Roberta Josephine Cox, Tuscola, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lee West, Trenton, South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sidney McGee, Coral Ridge, Kentucky.

#### Brazil

Edith Rose Weller, Lexington, Kentucky.  
Minnie Lou Lanier, Savannah, Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Dewolfe Davis, Louisville, Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Daniel McMurray, Laverne, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Emory Blankenship, Winnsboro, Louisiana.

Albertine Deufliot Meador, Texarkana, Texas.

#### China

Mary Hastings Sampson, Louisville, Kentucky.

Edward Davis Galloway, Iron City, Georgia.

Leota Blanche Corder, Houston, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindell Otis Harris, Cayuga, Texas.

#### Latin America

Hazel Irene Smith, Norman, Oklahoma.

Sarah Rebecca Eddinger, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Sara Frances Taylor, Columbia, South Carolina.

Emily Crea Ridenour, Caryville, Tennessee.

Susan Roberta Ryan, Arab, Alabama.

Sixteen of the new missionary appointees were from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, fifteen from Southwestern, and six from Baptist Bible Institute. More colleges and

universities were represented in this group of missionaries, even proportionately, than in any group in the past. As might be expected, there were more students from Baptist schools, but more state and non-Baptist schools were represented than ever before, twenty-two of them. For example, there were graduates of the University of Georgia, University of Alabama, University of South Carolina, University of Texas, University of Oklahoma, Duke University, and six state teacher colleges in various states, etc. Is not this explained in part by the fact that the Baptist Student Union has been working in most of these state schools and we are beginning to reap the harvest? Baylor University, Mercer, Ouachita College, and Howard Payne College led with three each; Oklahoma Baptist University, Furman University, Georgetown College, Howard College and Mars Hill had two each; Hardin-Simmons, Mary Hardin-Baylor, Wayland, Bessie Tift, Tennessee College for Women, Carson-Newman, Shorter, Clarke-Memorial, and Southwest had one representative each.

Can you top this? John A. Farmer, Sunday school secretary of the California Southern Baptist General Convention, writes that Livingston church has what he believes is an all time record. On Sunday, February 25 the attendance was 100%; three late and four did not have prepared lessons. The enrollment for February was 29 and the average attendance 25. The Training Union enrollment was 25 and the average attendance 21.

The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Rev. Lewis V. Wells, Bogue Chitto; Rev. Carl V. O'Neal, Jackson; Rev. R. E. McDonald, Clinton; Rev. Tom L. Pfeiffer, Clinton; Rev. Earl Brooks, Weir, Rev. W. L. Sewell, Prentiss; Rev. Owen Williams, Ulica; Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Clinton; Chaplain (Captain) G. M. Harbin, John D. Davis, Greenville; Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, Hollandale; Daisy Comfort, Jackson; J. L. McFarland, Rev. J. P. Bush, Hopewell; Edd Cooley, Waynesboro; B. L. Parker, Waynesboro; Rev. and Mrs. P. F. Herring, Laurel; Rev. and Mrs. Oscar B. Robertson, Clinton.

Rev. P. H. Young, pastor at Hamburg, recently sent a nice list of renewals. Such pastors have made possible the present weekly circulation of more than 50,000.

The members of Gainesville church, Pearl River county, are going to become better acquainted with Baptist affairs. Mrs. Tommy Patch recently sent a nice club of subscriptions on the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

Prentiss: The January-March financial statement shows total offerings of \$6,098. Two thousand four hundred and eighty-six dollars was for local expenses, \$2,357 for missions and benevolences, and \$1,253 for the building fund. This is almost a fifty-fifty division. Dr. W. L. Sewell is pastor. The building fund now totals, cash and bonds, \$8,332.

The many friends of Rev. L. B. Cobb, pastor, First church, Kingsport, Tennessee, will be glad to know that the trustees of Union University (Tenn.) have voted to confer on him the degree of doctor of divinity.



# Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

"We preach Christ crucified," 1 Cor. 1:23.

The following, a part of a letter from a soldier now in the danger zone, seems worthy of a prominent place in our bulletin, and of the earnest consideration of every one who reads it.—Pastor.

"It was there (Durant) I had my training as a Christian, and many are the times I have been back there in thought. A Christian's way is hard in the world today, but the peace of mind and soul it gives a fellow is the greatest dividend of anything on this earth. He has helped me over a lot of rough places in my time, and I thank God for a Christian mother and dad. I put my trust in Him many years ago, and I have the first time for Him to let me down. I wish I could get the young people really to put their faith in Him; they will never regret it. To know that peace, you can't go into it half way. If you go all the way and really depend on Him, He will show you the way. . . . Remember me to the folks there and tell them we are depending on their prayers."

Is This Your Church?

I LOVE the church that teaches me to serve the living Christ;

I LOVE the church that helps me keep my body pure and my name above reproach;

I LOVE the church that shows me the distinguishing values of church membership and regeneration;

I LOVE the church that impresses upon me the fact that all my material blessings are not an indication that I deserve more than others, but that God trusts me as a good steward of His goods;

I LOVE the church whose members have to look to God only for direction who are free to "obey God rather than man";

I LOVE the church that gives the Holy Spirit full control in its meetings, and in all the lives of its members;

I LOVE the church that has for me a place to train for service and a place to serve;

I LOVE the church that knows no compromise in matters of spiritual importance;

I LOVE the church that opens its doors to all who hunger and thirst after God; that serves its community as a lighthouse on a hazardous shoreline;

I LOVE the church that makes me a better neighbor, a more sincere friend and a better citizen of my town and country; that shares its message with the people of other nations.

I LOVE the church Christ died for.

AND BECAUSE I LOVE MY CHURCH, I pray that I may help to magnify the principles for which it stands, and die for it if need be.—S. Barksdale.

"We preach Christ crucified," 1 Cor. 1:23.

A Tremendous Challenge

To the pagan the years of suffering through which we are now passing are but unrelieved tragedy; to the Christian, this is a time of thrilling significance and opportunity. We must not misunderstand the deep-lying forces now welling to the surface.

The breakdown and disaster which confront us today prove that this is a moral world, overruled by a God who cannot be ultimately frustrated. For many years men have been building a civilization based essentially upon faith in material, rather than in spiritual values; upon self-seeking, rather than upon faith; in material, rather than in spiritual values; upon self-seeking, rather than upon brotherhood. Upon such foundations we have reared the richest and seemingly the most impregnable civilization that the world has ever known. Incomparable power seemed to be ours. By the end of the nineteenth century we actually believed that we had permanently conquered want and were fast conquering war, that we would achieve Utopia without having to pay the price of self-sacrifice and cooperative fellowship. We were making of Christ an impractical dreamer, who did not understand the realities of this workaday world.

Then came the crash of 1914. The world reeled. When we made the peace in 1919 we still were unconvinced. We still believed that the way to

power and happiness lay through self-seeking and material acquisition, and that spiritual forces could be ignored as inconsequential. Followed the second crash of 1939 and the tragedy of those years. Today we face a tremendous challenge. After the active fighting and wholesale destruction have ceased, will we have the understanding and the courage to build the peace upon genuine brotherhood? If not, the game is up.

The present catastrophe is proving afresh the eternal truths that Christ taught. No civilization resting upon other foundations can endure. Overruling the universe is a pitying, loving God, waiting for us to build the new world after the war upon Christian foundations. There is no other pathway to lasting peace and human happiness.

Now is the time for Christians to manifest the vitality and the power of their faith. Forward, Christians!—F. B. Sayre, Washington, D. C., in The Baptist Courier.

"We preach Christ crucified," 1 Cor. 1:23.

Many well meaning Mississippi Baptists seem to feel that we are actually touching just about all needed fields. Yet, we are told that this year in the Intermediate department alone we should start 10,000 new Intermediate classes; enroll 100,000 Intermediates in Sunday school; win 200,000 Intermediates to Christ; and have 500,000 Intermediates in Sunday school on Intermediate Day.

We were shocked to read that 20,000 Southern Baptist churches did not promote a single training school for their officers and teachers last year. That means that four out of every five of the Baptist churches of our Christ were self-satisfied and for the most part static. We simply cannot go on like that. We can and will go backward if we do not change.

An interesting Junior Union book comes from the press, "This is My Bible," by Van Ness. Price 25c. Our boys and girls will learn many interesting things about their Bibles from this volume.

While we withhold his name for obvious reasons, a splendid chaplain writes as follows:

"Will you be kind enough to send a chaplain, a Mississippi Baptist, a lot of tracts? I shall greatly appreciate your kindness. I shall be glad to have 500 or more of Dr. McCall's 'tract, 'The One Way,' 'A Fountain Filled with Blood' and the tract on comfort by Rev. and Mrs. Storie—500 or more. If you have some other good tracts, and all Baptist tracts are good, please send me a lot of them. I am putting tracts each week in every hut of our camp, where men and officers can have them at hand. I expect to need several thousand overseas soon."

"We preach Christ crucified," 1 Cor. 1:23.

The Soul Winner

He must pray a great deal.

He must study the Bible for information about the soul and the way to win it.

He must study the person he seeks to win, and that brings valued knowledge, which can be used in many ways.

He has to be wise, for "he that winneth souls is wise," with a high form of wisdom.

He learns to put the first things first, a needed lesson for the whole life.

He must keep under the influence of the Holy Spirit, whose help is essential.

He must keep his gaze fixed on Christ to whom he points the unsaved.

He has the advantage of being a co-worker with God in the very highest way.

He finds the deepest joy to be found at all, next to that in his own salvation.

He starts those whom he wins on the same work and thus works on forever.

He gets a new rating as a Christian. Many people were wondering whether he really was interested in their salvation, but now they know it.

—J. S. Kirtley, in First Baptist, Philadelphia, Miss., Bulletin.

## Preparing For Lean Years

Everyone who has read God's Word is familiar with the story of Joseph in Egypt. There were seven years of plenty which were followed by seven years of famine. God revealed this to the heathen Pharaoh in some dreams, and told Joseph the meaning of it.

Joseph told the king to lay some aside while there was plenty for the time when need would come. It is well for all of us to realize that these times of such plenty will not last always. They will be followed by times of need. These times of material plenty may last seven years, or they may last more, but history teaches that they will not last forever.

ever.

The individual should prepare for that lean day. He should not spend everything now. Business should prepare by laying something aside. Churches should prepare. Our denomination should lay something aside for that day of need. As storage places were built in the day of Joseph, so the Baptists of Mississippi have established the Mississippi Baptist Foundation to hold and invest for any and all of our institutions and agencies the trust funds which will bring greater interest in lean times, and provide the most possible income when the need is greatest in that institution or agency. It is save now, or borrow then.

Take out an insurance policy and make it to the Foundation. Make a gift large or small. Establish a memorial to some dear one gone on

## M.C. Spring Term Begins April 26

Clinton, Miss., April 20—The spring term at Mississippi College is to begin April 26th and the summer term on June 25th. Most of the faculty members of the regular session will teach right on through both terms. Courses now being given will continue through the spring term. One or more courses in each of the following subjects will be offered during the summer session: Chemistry, economics and sociology, English, French, history, music, physics and psychology and

to glory. Make a will to the Lord, and let the Foundation handle it for you. Write for any information you desire to the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, P. O. Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi, without obligation.

possibly others.

Large preparations are being made on the campus for a greatly increased enrollment of civilian students next session. It is expected that the number of girls will be doubled. A new dormitory is being planned for them but until it can be built, Jennings Hall is being put into first class condition and equipped to take care of 125 girls in addition to the number which can be accommodated with the present equipment.

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Eudora church, Rev. E. C. Horton, pastor, through the treasurer, Charles P. Dockery, recently sent a revised Baptist Record list. They formerly had 46 subscriptions. The new list contains 73.

Lexington: Offerings April 8 were \$170 as compared with \$89 one year ago. Total offerings for March were \$737.



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## Pray For Me

President Harry S. Truman, at the beginning of his work as President of the United States, spoke three simple words that brought a hearty "Amen" from thousands of Christians throughout the land. Those words were "Pray for me."

Regardless of the stress and strain of the days that lie ahead, if our new President will do as he has asked others to do, his leadership will prove a blessing to our land.

All born-again Christians will join in fervent prayers that God will lead our new leader. In the midst of much selfishness and worldliness we trust that others will voice their prayers in behalf of our President, and that his own earnest prayers will also be going heavenward at frequent intervals.

Baptists all over the land are interested in President Truman. They are interested in him because he is our President. They are interested in him because his leadership will have much to do with our country's welfare. They are interested in him because he has indicated that he feels the need of prayer. That simple request, "Pray for me," helped allay many doubts. It also increased the confidence of countless thousands.

Below we reproduce a letter Dr. Edward A. McDowell of the faculty of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., wrote to President Harry S. Truman. We believe it expresses the thought of the majority of our readers.

April 16, 1945

The President

The White House  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

Your simple request, "Pray for me," has aroused in God-fearing Americans every-

where a confidence in you that nothing else you might have said could have aroused in this trying hour in our nation's history. It gives us confidence to know that you are a man of simple faith in God, unashamed to make such a request.

In one of my classes I learned from one of the students from Missouri that you are a member of a little Baptist church in your home state. We who are Baptists will pray that you will discover in your early spiritual experience and in your Baptist heritage sources of power and inspiration for the epochal and trying days that lie ahead of you. Ours is a great heritage, Mr. President, a heritage of simple faith in God and in His Son Jesus Christ, a heritage of love of freedom, of the dignity of the individual, of human rights, of spiritual and political democracy. It is our prayer that this heritage may be real and vital to you as you face the stupendous responsibilities of the future. If you rest upon this heritage you need have no fear—you will become a great President and a worthy successor to Jefferson, Lincoln, Wilson, and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

You may be assured, Mr. President, that you have the prayers of the faculty and students of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and that the more than five million Southern Baptists, to whom you belong, will respond with pride to every evidence of your success and of your fidelity to our heritage.

Very respectfully yours,

(Signed)

Edward A. McDowell.

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## Rural Church Sunday

On Rural Church Sunday we should remember the large number of small churches and honor the faithful men who pastor them.

We should consider the responsibility they bear in that the larger number of converts come from these small churches.

We should consider the large number of people who never attend church and the large number who have no opportunity because no churches are near.

This Rural Church Sunday would be a good time for every small church to survey its territory and see if there is a possibility of establishing some Sunday school in a nearby home.

Mississippi Baptists will have an opportunity Sunday to recognize one of the most important

institutions in the state of Mississippi—the small, rural church.

We have more of these churches than of any other kind. These small churches have made a greater contribution to our denomination than we realize.

Out of these churches have come many of our leaders of state and nation. These churches have given us our preachers. They have given us our teachers. They have largely given us our most prominent men and women of every walk of life.

They still hold society together. They still minister to multitudes of men and women. They are still the seed bed of society.

These churches are ministered to by pastors who through the long years have toiled because of the love they have for their people. They have preached and prayed for sinners and they have seen men and women converted and baptized under their ministry.

There is a great need for more rural churches. We need more preachers, more teachers, more Godly men and women. And we expect them to come from where the people are—in the small churches.

Sunday, April 29, let us honor the rural church, and recognize its place in our denominational life.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

April 22, 1945

	SS	BTU
Crystal Springs	321	91
Friendship, Pike Co.	123	121
Newton	207	63
West Point	231	129
Laurel First	529	
Pascagoula First	293	84
Agricola	91	40
East McComb	332	145
Jackson, First	1,110	283
Jackson, Parkway	487	151
Ellison Ridge, Winston Co.	92	100

April 15

	SS	BTU
Crowder	86	103
Louisville	326	56
Rocky Creek, George Co.	93	56
Enon, Panola Co.	43	58
Liberty Hill, Panola Co.	23	20
Houlka	41	44
Daniel	136	63
Beaumont, Perry Co.	76	35
Summit		115
Vicksburg, Bowmar Avenue	207	91
Corinth, Tate Street	200	
Ackerman	109	31
New Albany, First	353	121
Van Winkle	217	93
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	600	309
Jackson, First	1,110	283
Jackson, Calvary	1,011	266
Vicksburg, First	56	158
Jackson, Northside	144	51
Olive Branch	74	
Winona, First	240	59
Darlove	142	
Ellistown	167	72
Ellison Ridge, Winston Co.	146	
Hattiesburg, Fifth Avenue	423	131
Duck Hill	83	25
Unity, Jackson Co.	99	60
West Point, First	455	131
Mt. Zion, Tate Co.	82	
Houlka	88	48
Summit		134

## Estes Approves Anglin's Article

Rev. E. D. Estes, enlistment pastor, has written a letter expressing hearty approval of the recent article by Rev. C. F. Anglin entitled "Cowardice." The letter follows:

"I have already read your timely article on COWARDICE and you have placed the spiritual mirror before us that we may 'Behold what manner of men (and women also) we are.' It may be that you have somebody 'treed' and have placed this serious matter and problem in the laps of some. Wake up America! Wake up Baptists!

"Each person is a soul, though some people act and live worse than animals. The going to picture shows, beer joints, and the desecration of our Lord's day, etc., is sufficient evidence of this awful fact.

"Brother, you can count on me opposing sin in all forms and at the same time, I will magnify Christ and His churches."

—BR—

The offering at Highland church, Meridian, on Sunday, April 15, was EXACTLY \$1,000.

—BR—

There were 72 additions during the eight-day revival which recently closed at Forty-First Avenue church, Meridian. The pastor, Ray F. Dykes, led the singing and J. Edwin Hewlett (Mississippian), pastor of Southwest church, St. Louis, Missouri, did the preaching. Mrs. L. M. Joiner was pianist during the meeting. The number of additions during 1945 has already passed the 100 mark.

Daniel church, Jackson: Our Sunday school occupied 14 more new rooms on April 22 for the first time. We were not financially able to complete the upper story of our new annex last fall. In one service a few weeks ago we raised almost enough cash to complete the building. The material was purchased and the work was done with free labor. Never have busy men showed a finer spirit than many of our men did in doing this work. Most of it was done from 7 to 10:30 p. m. The highest number working any one evening was 15. That number did not include the ladies who served refreshments each evening. This achievement shows what God's people can do when they want to do.—C. S. Thomas, pastor.

Tate Street Baptist Church (Corinth) witnessed the greatest revival in years. Almost one-fourth of our possibilities were reached during the meeting. Never have I witnessed such a revival spirit as was manifested. Rev. J. B. Ray, our enlistment pastor of north Mississippi, did the preaching. Every message was timely and powerful. The congregation increased from service to service as well as the spirit. There were 43 additions. 36 came by profession of faith. Bro. Ray was not only helpful in winning the lost, but he did many things to strengthen the church. We give the praise to the Lord who manifested Himself constantly with us—H. B. Speights, pastor.

Daniel church, Jackson: We had five additions April 22. This makes a total of 33 since the first of the year. Our revival meetings begin on May 20. Dr. G. O. Parker, of Magee, has been engaged to do the preaching for us. Mrs. B. H. Kenna, of Jackson, will be in charge of the music.—C. S. Thomas, pastor.



# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

## OUR STATE OFFICERS

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### Christian Home Week May 6-13

A challenge to all mothers!

An interesting development during recent years has been the observance of the week preceding Mother's Day as a special time for emphasis upon family life and the Christian home. The purpose of this week is to direct attention to the importance of the Christian home and to offer practical suggestions for making homes Christian.

The home wields a tremendous influence for children for evil and surrounds children with the environment which makes them what they ultimately become. The mother is the person in the home who plans (and carries out the plan) largely for the spiritual influence and impact of the home, since so much more of her time is spent in the home.

In our Woman's Missionary Union plan of work, "We declare our responsibility as Christian citizens to stand for family altars, total abstinence, Christian observance of Sunday, high standards of speech, dress and conduct, law observance, improved industrial conditions, child welfare, public health, patriotism, prohibition, Christian Americanization, universal education, international and interracial justice and world peace"—all right attitudes and efforts concerning these root in the CHRISTIAN HOME!

The home plays a most important role in influencing character development. Among the items that are essential for a well-integrated Christian home, perhaps none is more important than worship. Thus worship and the devotional atmosphere are to be found in our best homes, and yet a decreasing number of parents is making provision for home worship—family altars! There is a little booklet that I would like to recommend, which discusses this subject under these brief chapter headings: The Historic Place of Family Worship; Is Family Worship Going Out?; The Meaning of Family Worship; Methods of Family Worship; Making the Bible Live; Worship at the Fireside, etc. It can be ordered from the Elgin Press, Elgin, Ill., for 15c—"Worship in the Christian Home"—Edward Krusden Ziegler.

(A copy of this letter is being sent this week to the president of each Missionary Society.)

Dear Friend:

A letter has recently been sent your pastor from the Mississippi Baptist Hospital Board of Trustees concerning plans of the "Mother's Day Offering"—let me quote from this letter:

We are designating this offering as Fannie Traylor Memorial offering. This is in honor of one who served lovingly for many years. Of course, it is in cooperation with the Mississippi W. M. U. At the same time every individual, every church and every department will feel free to contribute, or designate the offering as led of the Spirit."

Our Mississippi Baptist Convention voted last fall to suggest to our churches that the "Mother's Day" of-

fering be designated for the Hospital. We want to express our sincere gratitude to the hospital trustees in designating this offering the "Fannie Traylor Memorial Offering." It is our hope that you will lead your women and young people to full participation in this undertaking. A sample of the offering envelope is enclosed—confer with your pastor about necessary envelopes.

While we are thinking about our Mississippi Baptist Hospital—we need to remind ourselves that July 30 is White Cross Day for our hospital.

It has been several years since we have remembered our hospital in this way. We are setting forth the things needed in order that you might have opportunity to watch for such supplies in your stores.

Supplies needed:

1. Dresser scarfs—44 inches long—just a one-inch hem at each end.
2. Wash cloths.
3. Towels—any size.
4. Sheets—single bed.
5. Pillow cases.

Let your women and young people know these needs and plan for the ingathering on July 30th. At that time you may send all parcels to:

Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy,  
Superintendent, Baptist Hospital,  
Jackson, Miss.

"I was sick and ye ministered unto me"—through our Mississippi Baptist Hospital we can each have a share in this ministry of healing.

Sincerely,  
EDWINA ROBINSON.

## Holmes Associational Meeting Scheduled

The Holmes County Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Associational meeting will be held at the Beulah Baptist Church on Sunday, April 29, 1945. The Sunday school part of the program will be held in the morning beginning at 10 o'clock. The theme will be "Building Better Sunday Schools." The following program has been arranged for this meeting:

- 10:00 a. m.—Song and Devotional—H. C. Ellis.  
10:15 a. m.—Talk, "Reaching People for the Sunday School"—J. G. Everett.  
10:30 a. m.—Evangelism in the Sunday School—J. M. Yarborough.  
10:45 a. m.—Teaching the Lesson—P. H. Williams.  
11:15 a. m.—Miscellaneous business.  
11:30 a. m.—Sermon—Rev. Madison Flowers.

12 noon. Dinner will be served and people are requested to bring basket lunches.

The afternoon program will be devoted to the Baptist Training Union. A special program is being arranged in keeping with the programs of simultaneous B. T. U. meetings over the South.

Each Baptist church in Holmes county is requested to send a large delegation to this meeting.

## Forty-First Avenue Remodeled

While Rev. Ray F. Dykes, pastor of Forty-First Avenue church, Meridian, was directing the music at the Parkway (Jackson) revival, Editor Goodrich supplied the pulpit. Deacon John T. Pinkston was master of ceremonies.

The church has recently been remodeled, which improves the appearance of the building. All organizations are well staffed and are doing good work.

Rev. J. Edwin Hewlett, a Mississippian, loaned to St. Louis, Missouri, recently, was with them in a revival meeting.

Lauderdale county now has Record readers listed as follows: MT. OLIVE 15, BETHANY 27, COLLINSVILLE 19, DALEVILLE 14, FELLOWSHIP 22, GOODWATER 13, Hickory Grove 12, Hickory Ridge 9, HIGHLAND 316, Hopewell 1, KEWANEE 13, LAUDERDALE 13, LIBERTY 19, MACEDONIA 19, MARION 23, MEEHAN 11, MIDWAY 18, FIFTEENTH AVENUE 282, FIRST 499, CAUSEYVILLE 44, ARKADELPHIA 30, Calvary 1, EIGHTH AVENUE 78, FORTY-FIRST AVENUE 239, MT. GILEAD 32, MT. NEBO 12, NEW HOPE 43, OAK GROVE 54, PINE GROVE 55, POPLAR SPRINGS DRIVE 117, RUSSELL 42, SOUTHSIDE 159, TOOMSUBA 30, Union 1, Bonita 2, PROVIDENCE 16, HEBRON 39, NEW ZION 16, Center Grove 1.

## Southwestern Seminary Commencement May 4

The spring commencement at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, will begin with a musical program by the School of Sacred Music, Tuesday evening, May 1.

The School of Religious Education will have its program Thursday evening, May 3, with Rev. J. A. Harrington as the student speaker and Dr. Forbes Yarborough, professor of Religious Education at Oklahoma Baptist University, as the visiting speaker. Mr. Harrington is originally from Tulsa, Oklahoma. He and Mrs. Harrington have served as missionaries in Brazil since 1938.

The graduating exercises will be held Friday morning, May 4. The commencement address will be delivered by Dr. Sam Hill, president of Georgetown College in Kentucky. The student address will be delivered by Rev. Charles Trentham, who is from Knoxville, Tennessee, and a graduate of Carson-Newman College.

It is expected that at least 160 diplomas and degrees will be awarded which will be the largest number given at any commencement.

James Foster of Jackson, graduate of Mississippi College, and who will be graduated from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, on May 4 has been called as full time pastor of Pleasant Hill church, Robertson Association, Tennessee. Prior to coming to this pastorate he was supply pastor for Sulphur Springs church in Kentucky.

## Baptist Bible Institute Commencement

The twenty-seventh commencement of the Baptist Bible Institute will be held April 30 and May 1. Forty-four students will receive awards. This is the largest graduating class in recent years.

Dr. R. Caudill, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, will deliver the baccalaureate address. The alumni address will be delivered by Dr. William L. Stagg, Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church, of Lake Charles, Louisiana. Dr. Stagg is president of the Louisiana State Convention.

Mississippians who will receive awards are as follows:

### Doctor of Theology Degree

E. R. Pinson, Newton, Mississippi.

### Master of Theology Degree

Earl Cooper, Georgetown, Mississippi.

Harry P. Dayton, Forest, Mississippi.

### Master of Religious Education Degree

Miss Frances Berry, Shivers, Mississippi.

Mrs. Alpha McDill, Ellisville, Mississippi.

Mrs. T. S. Messer, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Riley Munday, Philadelphia, Mississippi.

### Bachelor of Divinity Degree

L. P. Petty, Newton, Mississippi.

H. B. Todd, Port Gibson, Mississippi.

A. A. Ward, Lena, Mississippi.

### Bachelor of Religious Education Degree

George H. Moseley, Gloster, Mississippi.

Miss Bernice Popper, New Albany, Mississippi.

Miss Bernice Posey, Lucien, Mississippi.

### Diploma in Christian Training

Miss Clarice Conner, Daddsville, Mississippi.

Miss Margaret Enslin, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Rev. John Dugard of Newton has accepted the full time pastorate of West End church, Clay county.—Mrs. R. E. Estes, church clerk.

Rev. B. L. Mohon, pastor of Central Baptist Church, Florence, Alabama, was the visiting preacher at Southside in Meridian, April 8-15. There were 18 additions during the week, twelve on profession of faith. Mr. Mohon brought some heart-searching messages throughout the week.—Ethel McKeithen, educational director.

**WANTED**—Multigraph Operator. An experienced multigraph operator is needed and wanted by one of our denominational agencies. Good salary, permanent employment, and wonderful opportunity for Christian service. Please address "Multigraph Operator" in care of this paper.

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# Baptist Training Union

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## Helping a Neighboring Church

Recently we have had several letters from friends saying a word like this, "We have been asked by the pastor of — church to come out and help them organize a Training Union. We are thrilled at this opportunity and will appreciate your sending us the free tracts for each union that we may use them in getting this union started." A letter like that is just about the most welcome letter we could get. It means two things: first, that another church is being organized to give their members the much needed training that every church member should have, and second, it is giving a group of "trainees" an opportunity of intensive training as they go out to help in the organization of a new union. Much of this good work is going to be done this year. If your church does not have a union, why not ask a neighboring church to render this service for you?

Please add to your list of study course books for Training Union study courses **THE PLACE OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL IN EVANGELISM**. This is one of our optional books for this year in the soul winning course.

Please strike from your list of study course books for the Intermediates the book **TRAINING IN BIBLE STUDY**. This book will be no longer used. The new Intermediate book, **GROWING IN BIBLE KNOWLEDGE**, takes its place.

Leakesville sends in a good list for study course awards. This is the first church in Greene county this year to ask for awards. Forty-three awards were issued each union studying their Manual.

## BREWER CHURCH IS NUMBER 779

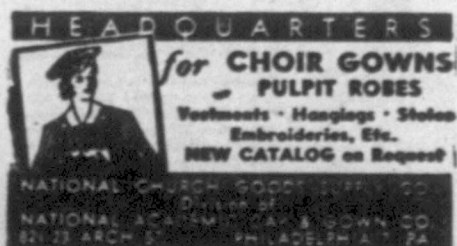
Brewer church in Perry county, Rev. Luther Turner, pastor, is one of the latest Baptist Record churches. Pastor Turner recently sent the **EVERY FAMILY** list and wrote: "I more than appreciate the fine work which is being done through our fine state and denominational paper. All the work and contents are very commendable under the trying conditions to which all of us are now subjected. Our work at Brewer is moving along fine. The meeting week before last was a great help to the community and all the work of the church has taken on new life. We are planning on a building program soon. A new school building will soon be started, and I am planning for the church right along with the school."

Perry county Record readers are now listed as follows: ARLINGTON 12, BEAUMONT 68, BREWER 18, Good Hope 8, JANICE 19, McLAIN 44, NEW AUGUSTA 71, PROSPECT 19, RUNNELSTOWN 49, RICHTON 79, UNION 30, Indian Hill 5, SEMINARY 12.

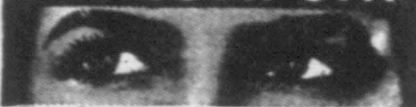
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## MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- April 30—Mrs. N. E. Offenbiser, W. M. U. Associational Superintendent in District 2.  
May 1—Pray for the young women in Y. W. A's as they observe Focus Week, May 6-11.  
May 2—Dr. T. D. Brown, Mississippi College Trustee.  
May 3—Dr. W. L. Johnson, Blue Mountain College Trustee.  
May 4—G. M. McWilliams, Woman's College Trustee.  
May 5—W. L. McMullan, Board of Ministerial Education.  
May 6—Prayer for Christian Home Week, May 6-12.



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Orcutt Avenue church of Newport News (Virginia), Dr. H. T. Stevens, pastor, again has the largest Religious Herald Club in the state with 215 subscriptions. Congratulations! (Editor's note: Dr. Stevens is the father-in-law of Rev. J. B. Flowers, former pastor at Winona.)

## IS EPILEPSY INHERITED? WHAT CAUSES IT?

A booklet containing the opinions of famous doctors on this interesting subject will be sent **FREE**, while they last, to any reader writing to the Educational Division, 535 Fifth Ave., Dept. JL-41, New York, N. Y.



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## All the Books Some of the Time and Some of the Books All the Time... Maybe but... Not All the Books All the Time

This is the fourth month of Southern Baptists' Centennial Evangelistic Crusade, and the fourth year of World War II. The first factor swells the demand for books on evangelism and soul-winning; the second factor creates shortages of paper, manpower, and machinery which make it impossible to fill this demand.

Most people realize this. We are grateful for our friends' sympathetic understanding that we are doing the best we can with what we have. We are grateful for your patience and co-operation.

Of every person and church we serve we ask: Please order far earlier than you would under normal conditions. For churches ordering books in large quantities this means weeks—not days—ahead of your actual need. Order what you need, but no more, so that everyone may have his fair share. Indicate second and third choices, so that we may send you something you can use if the particular book you want is out of stock when your order reaches us.

Let us say again—thank you for your patience, your sympathetic understanding, your co-operation. Keep on helping us help you, and we shall all work together to the end that the most tragic year of the most tragic war the world has ever known shall be also the most glorious from the standpoint of souls won to Christ.

(Would you like copies of "Books on Evangelism" and "For Winning Witnesses"—folders of books on evangelism from the Broadman Press and other publishers? They are yours for the asking.)

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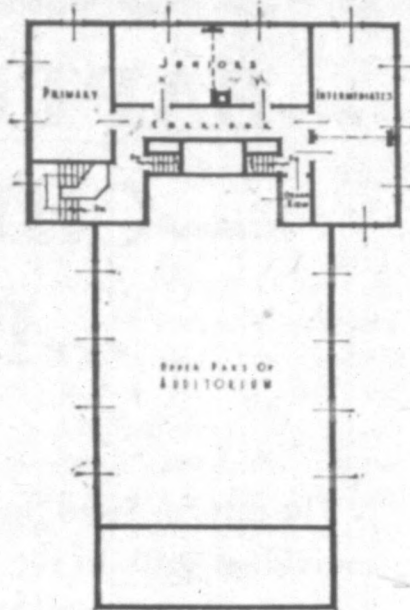
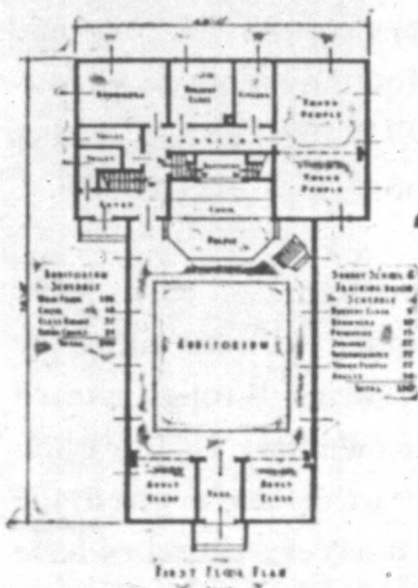
# Sunday School Department

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## Church Buildings

Through the kindness of the Department of Church Architecture of the Baptist Sunday School Board, we are giving below views of the first and second floors of their "Design S-150" type of building. This building accommodates 150 people with proper distribution in the various age groups. The Primary, Junior and Intermediate departments are on the second floor, and all the others on the first, or auditorium, floor. Many churches are thinking of more space as soon as possible. Wisdom needs to prevail in getting the best.



SECOND FLOOR PLAN  
FIRST FLOOR PLAN

## Christian Home Week

The week of May 6-13 is Christian Home Week. We hope many schools will plan for the observance of this week that can be a real help and a blessing to many people and homes because of personal contacts made. It begins on the first Sunday in May, runs through that week and closes out on Mother's Day, May 13. Helpful literature on the observance of this week may be secured by writing us. The time is short so plans should be made at once.

**ADDRESS DESIRED:** When in Mississippi last year holding regional meetings with Dr. McCall I took an order for two of my books from Mrs. Sally Zallis, but did not get sufficient address. The books are wrapped and ready to send. Anyone able to give this lady's address will greatly oblige her and me. Address, Earle V. Pierce, 10 Red Cedar Lane, Minneapolis 10, Minnesota.

Mrs. J. A. Massey of Tillatoba church, Yalobusha county, recent sent a revised EVERY FAMILY list containing 33 names. David Grant is the pastor.

On April 15 a men's Bible class, young people's class and a primary class were organized at Darlove church. The attendance on that day was 142. The pastor, R. A. Langley, taught "Epochs of Home Missions" to the W. M. S. on April 16.—Mrs. W. C. Sheffield, reporter.

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## RE: CENTENNIAL CRUSADE

Dear Brother State Secretary:

I am deeply grateful for the way you are promoting the Centennial Crusade including the Centennial Thank Offering. The secretaries are not all doing it exactly the same way but all are working, hoping, and praying that we may win a million souls to Christ and raise \$20,000,000 for the support of our work.

It may be a bit difficult to tell just what are the receipts of this special Centennial offering since the special receipts will sometimes be lumped with the regular.

But the main thing is that we get sufficient funds to carry on our state and southwide work, current and postwar.

I marvel at the effective way you promote the work and at the increasingly good results you get. I know you will do your best to make May 6, Convention Centennial Sunday, a great day in our Baptist Zion with voice and pen and published articles. You will please: (1) urge all our people to attend the services that day; (2) you will urge them to make it a day of great rejoicing and reconsecration, of evangelism and enlistment; (3) you will urge them to finish the Centennial Thank Offering that day by giving all possible offerings to this fund for postwar work to be distributed according to the Co-operative Program percentages; and (4) let's suggest that money intended for Southern Baptist Convention expenses and any other available funds be added to this Centennial offering to help provide for the great needs we face, and to climax and crown a century for Christ.

May God give us victory for the sake of Jesus and the lost world for which Jesus died.

Gratefully and hopefully yours,

J. E. DILLARD.

## 100 CHURCHES LEADING IN GIFTS TO THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

1944

### Group No. 1

1—Jackson Calvary	\$17,912.64
2—Brookhaven First	10,891.46
3—Hattiesburg First	10,868.74
4—Vicksburg First	10,521.34
5—Jackson First	10,000.00
6—Tupelo Calvary	9,101.65
7—Laurel First	8,650.33
8—McComb First	7,921.48
9—Picayune	6,840.39
10—Meridian First	6,532.88
11—Grenada First	6,275.22
12—New Albany	5,525.89
13—Jackson Griffith	5,029.82
14—Hattiesburg, Main Street	4,997.85
15—Crystal Springs (Copiah)	4,772.13
16—Greenwood First	4,489.72
17—Leland	4,158.40
18—Meridian Highland	3,855.49
19—Canton First	3,812.19
20—Collins	3,579.49
21—Clinton	3,457.39
22—Prentiss	3,212.53
23—Pascagoula First	3,128.30
24—West Point First	3,000.00
25—Kosciusko First	2,975.00

### Group No. 2

1—Belzoni	\$ 2,952.89
2—Forest	2,655.12
3—Quitman	2,498.00
4—Meridian Fifteenth Ave.	2,452.93
5—Clarksdale	2,404.89
6—Tylertown	2,309.55
7—Laurel West	2,305.53
8—Greenville First	2,250.62
9—Corinth First	2,229.41
10—Columbia First	2,204.02
11—Drew	2,203.10
12—Hattiesburg Fifth Avenue	2,100.00
12—Louisville First	2,100.00
13—Indianola	2,052.17
14—Jackson Parkway	2,003.17
15—Aberdeen	1,851.80
16—Lowrey Memorial	1,838.98
17—Hazlehurst	1,833.37
18—Meridian Poplar Springs	1,825.45
19—Holly Springs	1,807.91
20—Columbus First	1,698.02
21—McComb Central	1,625.40
22—Galilee-Gloster	1,617.64
23—Yazoo City	1,588.37
24—Pontotoc	1,581.48
25—Salem (Covington)	1,566.34

### Group No. 3

1—Magee	\$ 1,534.65
2—Starkville First	1,500.00
3—Philadelphia First	1,490.00
4—McComb East	1,419.17

5—Van Winkle	1,410.00
6—Gulfport First	1,381.60
7—Utica	1,378.01
8—Charleston	1,338.96
9—Sardis (Panola)	1,320.19
10—Newton	1,305.00
11—Hollandale	1,219.36
12—Calhoun City	1,200.00
13—Ripley	1,175.00
14—Water Valley	1,150.00
15—Meridian Eighth Avenue	1,137.91
16—Centerville (Mississippi)	1,128.78
17—Ellisville	1,082.60
18—Moss Point East	1,060.00
19—Magnolia	1,051.50
20—Rolling Fork	1,027.50
21—Lyon	1,014.00
22—Laurel Second Avenue	1,006.55
23—Improve	981.68
24—Vicksburg Bowmar Ave.	931.11
25—Oxford	900.00
25—Waynesboro First	900.00

### Group No. 4

1—Booneville	\$ 896.49
2—Moss Point First	875.00
3—Biloxi First	870.98
4—Webb	865.32
5—Durant	855.00
6—Eupora	840.00
7—Brandon	811.26
8—Lucedale	800.75
9—Glendale (Lebanon)	800.04
10—Pascagoula Watts	
Memorial	789.00
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## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for April 29

### SETTLEMENT AND STRUGGLES IN CANAAN

Joshua, Judges, Ruth. Printed Text: Judges 2:6, 7, 11, 12, 18-23; 6:11-16:25-32; Ruth 2:2, 3, 8, 17, 18

I. God's Commission to Joshua. Josh. 1:19.

There was after the death of Moses a period of mourning for him, but that must come to an end. It is fitting that we should mourn the passing of our great leaders.

1. The dead in the Lord have finished their work. Who can know that any one of God's workmen did before his time was expired or the work God gave him was finished.

2. God spoke to the bravest man in the world and told him to be brave. Can this be because men need especially to watch themselves at their strongest points? It was at his strong point that Elijah broke.

3. God's leaders die, but God lives on. The work of God goes on from age to age, though the men through whom He does it does each his small portion and passes.

4. The promise of God to His servants is a promise of bigger things to do in reward for the faithful performance of the lesser things. Joshua had been faithful in the discharge of the lesser duties, now he is set to do the large thing.

5. God promises to be with those who seek to do His commandments and to carry on His work.

6. God makes His will known to His servants and makes His servants invincible while they fight within the circuit of that will.

II. Joshua's Preparation of the People. 1:10-18.

1. The command to prepare food for their journey into the borders of the promised land.

2. The two and one-half tribes who elected to settle in the country east of the Jordan, were to leave their wives and other belongings behind in going with their men of arms to assist their brethren in the conquest of the land beyond the river.

3. The tribes addressed pledged allegiance to Joshua.

III. Joshua Crosses the Jordan. Joshua 2-8.

1. Rahab and the spies. See how the great God uses the means at hand to affect His purpose. A soiled and scarlet woman may serve the purpose of the Lord when no better agent is at hand. When no greater preacher is available, God will use you. There is a place where God needs you, because he has no better workman for that place. Note that Rahab's safety was secured through her doing her best for God.

2. Into the land of promise. Joshua 3, 4.

(a) There are no difficulties before the presence of God. The ark borne by the priests signified the divine presence and the river at flood parted its waters to give them passage.

(b) The Lord makes a path for the feet of those who follow Him, and a place of rest at the end of every stage of the journey.

(c) The Lord teaches His people reverence and rewards those who

practice it.

(d) The Lord wants His people to remember the occasions upon which He has blessed them, and directs them to build monuments unto these blessings.

IV. Joshua on the March. Joshua 1-11; Judges 1.

In Joshua God had a good man through whom to work, and the work He did was amazing in extent and thoroughness. Great victories were won, and God won them easily because His own chosen man was in command of His armies. Strong tribes of people were overthrown, because they set themselves against all that was godly.

There is a striking parallel between recent events on the battle lines in Europe and those of which we read in this text. A foe has exalted himself against God, and that foe must be brought low. A whole great people has corrupted its ways, has slain pity, has mocked justice, ravished mercy, and throttled all the finer instincts of the soul. Greatest crimes of all their history from barbarism to barbarism, this that turned them back to the heights where they were accounted one of the world's great peoples, this of blinding their eyes to the light of God's leading. Most pitiful blunder of all the ages, this of walking off deliberately from the King's Highway.

What price paid the inhabitants of Canaan long ago? Their national existence was blotted out. What price shall the foes of God in this war pay? What price will make even the debt they owe? The victims are losing the blood of their youth in larger floods than did the savages of Canaan long ago. Bigger cities than Jericho are being quite as completely reduced to rubble. Is this right? God did not start this war, and experience proves that any remedy not drastic enough to eradicate the seat of the trouble will bring war.

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